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BEFORE

THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NOS. 97-458-C AND 97-425-C - ORDER NO. 97-1017

DECEMBER 1, 1997

IN RE: DOCKET NO. 97-458-C - Application of ORDER TELSTAR International, Inc. for a GRANTING Certificate of Public Convenience RELIEF and Necessity to Provide Local Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina. AND IN RE: DOCKET NO. 97-425-C - Application of TELSTAR International, Inc. for a Certificate of Public Convenience and) Necessity to Provide Resold Telecommunications Services within the State of South Carolina and for Relaxed Regulatory Treatment.

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on the request of TELSTAR International, Inc. (TELSTAR or the Company). TELSTAR requests, in the interests of efficiency and economy, that the Commission hear both the Company's application to provide local telecommunications services in Docket No. 97-458-C and its application to provide resold telecommunications services in Docket No. 97-425-C in one hearing.

We have examined this matter and have determined that the relief requested by TELSTAR should be granted. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

Chairman

ATTEST:

Denuty

Executive Director

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